

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
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Section 63.71 Application of)
SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a)
AT&T Long Distance)
)
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of)
The Communications Act of 1934, As Amended,)
To Discontinue the Provision of Service)

File No.

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF SBC LONG DISTANCE, LLC D/B/A
AT&T LONG DISTANCE

SBC Long Distance L.L.C. d/b/a AT&T Long Distance ("SBCLD"), an affiliate of AT&T Inc., applies for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act, as amended ("the Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") rules, 47 C.F.R. §63.71, to discontinue the provision of interstate residential local exchange service in the District of Columbia.

As required by Section 63.71(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, SBCLD is providing the following information:

Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(1), (b)(2)):

SBC Long Distance LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance
1010 N. St. Mary's Street
Suite 13L
San Antonio, TX 78215

Date of Planned Service Discontinuance (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):

SBCLD plans to discontinue this service once this application is approved by the Commission pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c).¹

Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

Interstate residential local exchange service will be discontinued in the District of Columbia.

Brief Description of Type of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

Interstate residential local exchange service is basic telephone exchange service that allows customers to make local calls within a local exchange, which includes local calling areas that cross state boundary lines.

The public convenience and necessity will not be impaired by this service discontinuance because there are many alternative providers of local exchange telephone services, including but not limited to Access Point, Inc., Advanced Telephone Systems and Verizon.

Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(3)):

SBCLD notified customers by letter sent via U.S. Mail on June 5, 2007.

A copy of the letter is attached hereto as Attachment A.

Copies of this Application are being sent, first class U.S. Mail, to the public utilities commission and mayor of the District of Columbia and also to the Special Assistant for

¹ The letter that SBCLD sent to its customers to notify them of the discontinuance indicated that SBCLD intended to discontinue service on or after August 9, 2007. SBCLD recognizes that the Commission's review and approval process for this Application cannot be completed on or before August 9th. Accordingly, SBCLD confirms that it will continue to provide service to its customers until its customers select an alternative provider or until this application is approved by the Commission pursuant to 47 CFR 63.71, whichever comes first.

Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.

Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(4)):

SBCLD is considered non-dominant with respect to the service to be discontinued.

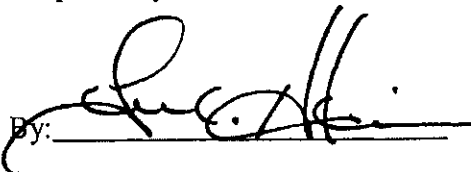
Questions about this application may be addressed to Toni Acton, AT&T Services, Inc., Director – Federal Regulatory, 1120 20th Street, NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 457-3039.

Conclusion:

The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of this service since there are alternative providers of local exchange service.

SBCLD respectfully requests that the Commission approve its Section 63.71 Application to discontinue interstate residential local exchange service in the District of Columbia.

Respectfully submitted,

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July 25, 2007

Attachment A

SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance
1010 N Saint Mary's Street, #13L
San Antonio, TX 78215-2109

June 5, 2007

VERNETTA MAYNOR
339 ELM ST NW
WASHINGTON DC 20001

Important Notice: Your Local Telephone Service Is Being Discontinued

Dear Valued Customer:

As of August 9, 2007 pending regulatory approval, the SBC¹ local telephone service to which you subscribe will no longer be available in the District of Columbia and you must take action.

YOUR ACTION IS REQUIRED! To prevent interruption of your local residential telephone service, you must select another service provider on or before July 25, 2007. This will allow enough time for your new local service provider to start your new residential phone service before our service is discontinued.

You have the right to select any company that is offering local telephone service in your area. Look in the front of your Yellow Pages directory under "telephone companies," or in the front of your White Pages directory for a list of local telephone service providers. Once you find a provider of your choice, you should call that provider to order your new service.

Please select your new service plans carefully – local, toll and long distance -- to ensure that your needs are met. However, you are not required to select new long distance and toll carriers and may keep your existing selections for long distance and toll. Companies may offer pricing plans and calling areas that differ from the ones you have today. It is up to you to select plans that are right for your circumstances.

After you switch to another local telephone service provider and we discontinue your service, you will receive a final bill from us within 7 to 14 days (or a final credit statement if we owe you) within 30 to 45 days. SBC will issue an automatic credit to your bill of \$21.00 to reimburse you for any fees you may be charged for switching to another provider. If you switch your local service within thirty (30) days of receiving this letter and you are charged more than \$21.00 to switch to another provider, SBC will reimburse you the additional amount up to \$50.00 once you provide proof of the amount charged. If we owe you any other refund, it will be issued within 30 to 45 days. Please be aware that you are responsible for paying all bills rendered to you by SBC during this transition.

¹ Your local telephone service is provided by SBC Long Distance, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Long Distance

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SBC must file a request to discontinue service at the FCC. The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of SBC Long Distance, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Long Distance." Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

You may also address your concerns to the District of Columbia Public Service Commission at (202) 626-5120 or to the Office of People's Counsel at (202) 727-3071.

If you have any questions or need more information about changing your local residential service, please contact our Customer Care Center toll free at 1-877-430-7228.

Sincerely

SBC Long Distance, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Long Distance
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San Antonio TX 78215-2109

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
REGARDING DISCONTINUANCE OF
YOUR LOCAL RESIDENTIAL
TELEPHONE SERVICE**

- 1 **Why has the company made the decision to no longer offer residential local service in my area?**

We consistently evaluate all areas of our business. This was simply a business decision based on the considerations that we incur in providing local residential service. At this time, only local residential phone service is being discontinued. Business customers with local or long distance telephone services are not affected by this change.

- 2 **What should I do now that I have received this letter?**

It is important you find another local residential telephone service provider. Normally you can locate a complete list of providers in the front of your White Page phone book or in your Yellow Pages directory under the "telephone companies" heading. You should contact a new local residential telephone service provider as soon as possible to switch your local service to that new provider. You could lose your local phone service if you do not change your local service provider.

- 3 **What about my other telephone services?**

They will not be impacted by this change in local residential telephone service. You may be asked for your selection of long distance and toll carriers. However, you are not required to select a new long distance and toll carrier and may keep your existing selections for long distance and toll. AT&T and its affiliates will continue to offer the same high standards and quality of wireless and long distance services to which local customers are accustomed. If you choose AT&T as your in-state toll and long distance service provider, inform your new local service provider of this choice.

- 4 **When will I receive my final bill?**

You will receive your final bill 7 to 14 days after the switch to your new local residential service provider is complete.

- 5 **Will I be able to keep my phone number(s) with my new provider?**

You should discuss this with your new local telephone company. Your new residential local telephone service provider should perform the necessary steps to ensure that you can keep your phone number with your new company. **Do not disconnect** your current local service if you want to keep your phone number – just call your new local telephone company to set up service and the new company will handle the rest to make sure your existing service is stopped and to make sure you can keep your phone number.

6 What about my other services that use my phone line?

If you have other services not provided by SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance that use your local telephone line, for example an alarm service, *you should contact the provider(s) of those services to inform them of the change* to your local telephone service provider and determine if any actions are necessary.

7 Who can I contact for more information regarding this notification?

Please call toll-free 1-877-430-7228 with any questions you may have regarding this notification.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do certify that I have, this 25th day of July 2007, served a copy of the foregoing

Section 63.71 Application by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the following:

/s/Lacretia Hill
Lacretia Hill

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Public Service Commission
1333 H Street, NW
Suite 200, West Tower;
Washington, DC 20005

Mayor Adrian Fenty
Office of the Mayor
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004

Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Asst. for Telecommunications
Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301